

GODPARENT/SPONSOR AFFIRMATION OF FAITH AND MORALS

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH
144 WEARS VALLEY ROAD, PIGEON FORGE, TN 37863

In accord with Canon 874 of the Code of Canon Law, there are certain eligibility requirements for a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. Please initial each requirement below to affirm that you meet these criteria.

A sponsor must be fully initiated into the Catholic faith.

I have been fully initiated into the Catholic faith with the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation.

A sponsor must live a life of faith which befits the role to be undertaken.

I sincerely believe and strive to put into practice the Word of God as taught by the Catholic Church.

I attend Sunday Mass weekly on Sundays and holy days of obligation, according to the Precepts of the Church. If you do not attend weekly, please attach a separate letter explaining the situation.

I intend to support the candidate I am sponsoring in living the Catholic Christian life.

A sponsor must be canonically free to carry out this office, according to the marriage laws of the Catholic Church.

I am married sacramentally, according to the laws of the Catholic Church.

OR

I am unmarried, and I am not in a sexual relationship outside of marriage.

A sponsor must be at least age 16 and not related to the candidate as a parent or guardian.

I am at least 16 years old.

I am not related to the candidate as a parent, step-parent, or custodial guardian.

Affirmation of Prospective Godparent/Sponsor

I, (print) _____, solemnly affirm that I fulfill the requirements of the Catholic Church for the role of godparent/sponsor as presented above. I intend, with the grace of God, to continue the practice of my Catholic faith, and I will, to the best of my ability, carry out the obligations of my role as godparent/sponsor.

Signature of Godparent/Sponsor Date Email Phone

Print name of person being sponsored Location of Baptism/Confirmation to be celebrated Scheduled date

Parish Certification
I hereby certify that _____ is a registered member, is a practicing Catholic and in good standing, and is eligible to serve as a godparent for Baptism and/or sponsor for Confirmation, to the best of my knowledge.
Pastor or Parochial Vicar's Signature Parish Date